



Office of the Mayor

# The City of Morgantown

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## Proclamation

- Whereas,** meaningful Parent Leadership occurs when parents gain the knowledge and training necessary in the planning, implementation, oversight and evaluation of policies, practices to function in meaningful leadership roles and present a "parent voice" to help shape the direction toward programs and communities that impact the lives of their families; and
- Whereas,** Parent Leadership is an essential and effective means of strengthening and supporting families to prevent child abuse and neglect, more parents each year are developing vital partnerships with service providers, policymakers and key stakeholders to shape policy and practice and build stronger, safer communities for children; and
- Whereas,** Parents Anonymous® Inc. has created National Parent Leadership Month to recognize the extraordinary courage and tenacity of parents who have reached out to make improvements in their families and communities; and
- Whereas,** United Way Family Resource Network, Starting Points Family Resource Center and The Shack Neighborhood House recognizes the vital importance of partnering with parents to build awareness of the importance of early development and assists public systems and private organizations that improve or expand current range of services for children and families, policymakers and other key stakeholders to effectively implement Parent Leadership strategies; and
- Whereas,** Monongalia County Family Resource Center at the Shack and Starting Points Center at Mylan School strives to be a community vehicle to support families in raising healthy, competent children by offering inclusive quality programming for all Monongalia County Families; and
- Whereas,** National Parent Leadership Month recognizes, honors and celebrates parents for the vital leadership roles in their homes and communities and in local, state, national and international arenas;

Now therefore, I, Jenny Selin, Mayor of the City of Morgantown, West Virginia do hereby proclaim the month of February, 2015 as

## National Parent Leadership Month

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Jenny Selin, Mayor